

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of KIARA TANISHA NEELEY and
CIARA RENEE NEELEY, Minors.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

PATRICIA NEELEY,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

MICHAEL WILSON and AARON RIPPY,

Respondents.

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No. 212061

Wayne Circuit Court

Family Division

LC No. 95-334080

Before: Gage, P.J., and Gribbs and Hoekstra, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent-appellant appeals as of right from a family court order terminating her parental rights to the minor children under MCL 712A.19b(3)(b)(i), (c)(i), (g), (h) and (j); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(b)(i), (c)(i), (g), (h) and (j). We affirm.

The family court referee did not clearly err in finding that at least one statutory ground for termination, specifically § 19b(3)(g), was established by clear and convincing evidence. MCR 5.974(I); *In re Miller*, 433 Mich 331, 337; 445 NW2d 161 (1989). Further, respondent-appellant failed to show that the termination of her parental rights was clearly not in the children's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(5); *In re Hall-Smith*, 222 Mich App 470, 472-473; 564 NW2d 156 (1997). Thus, we uphold the decision of the family court judge to

terminate respondent-appellant's parental rights based on the referee's recommendation. MCR 5.991(D).

Affirmed.

/s/ Hilda R. Gage

/s/ Roman S. Gibbs

/s/ Joel P. Hoekstra